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"The Old Brewery Bay" designated a national historic site

ORILLIA, Ontario, June 26, 1994 "The Old Brewery Bay," the site of the summer home of Stephen Leacock, was officially recognized today as being of national historic significance with the unveiling of a Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada plaque.

The commemorative plaque was unveiled by Simcoe North M.P. Paul DeVillers, representing the Honourable Michel Dupuy, Minister of Canadian Heritage, during a special ceremony at the Stephen Leacock Museum.

Stephen Leacock purchased "The Old Brewery Bay" in 1908 and used it as his vacation retreat until his death in 1944. The
summer home became closely associated with Leacock's literary success as the area was the source of inspiration for many of his humorous stories.

The Stephen Leacock Museum is operated by the City of Orillia in recognition of one of Canada's outstanding literary figures.

The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada recommends to the Minister of Canadian Heritage those individuals, places and events that it deems of national historic significance.

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